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REPORT

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TOPIC Bautzen-Litten AirfieldHusaren Kaserne in Bautzen

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EVALUATION PLACE OBTAINED

DATE OF CONTENT

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DATE PREPARED 10 February 1954

REFERENCES

ENCLOSURES (NO. &amp; TYPE)

REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. The landing field at Bautzen-Litten airfield had a firm grass cover. After rains in the summer and fall of 1953 it would remain moist for a comparatively long period, although a drainage system was available. A runway and taxiways existed at the field.                      the taxiway in the southern section of the field was to be provided with a concrete cover, as a layer of clay hindered the flowing off of water and resulted in the washing out the earth underneath the runway mats. The changing the position of the mats. Between the runway and southern taxiway were three connecting lanes in addition to the taxiways branching off from the ends of the runway. The taxiway in front of the five hangars was enlarged and covered with concrete. Twelve hardstands, each 12 x 8 meters and covered with runway mats, were observed along the taxiway in the southwestern section of the landing field. 25X1
2. During 1953, five hangars had been constructed along the southern taxiway. Additional installations at the field included a temporary building housing the meteorological station and the flight control station with a control tower, two quartering buildings next to the guardhouse at the main entrance, and additional temporary buildings east of the guardhouse, such as the administrative building, kitchens, etc. 25X1
3. Two fuel dumps with underground fuel containers in the southwestern corner of the field were guarded by a double sentry, a double patrol and a sentry at the main entrance gate.                      in July 1953 Soviet pilots made take-offs and landings at the field. Aircraft wires were repeatedly damaged on landings. From a far distance it was also noted that the aircraft overran the edge of the runway while landing. 25X1
4. On 12 January, there was no air activity at the field. No movements or aircraft were seen there. During the morning of 15 January, about five aircraft made practice flights. Usually, two aircraft were seen aloft practicing formation flights. During air activity, 6 trucks and sedans and about 30 VP men were observed at the take-off point. Bus                      occupied by about 20 VPL officers and EW moved to the field. 25X1
5. There was little activity in the Husaren Kaserne, the entrance of which was guarded by a VP man wearing blue collar patches and armed by a submachine gun.

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6. Between 8 and 20 January, no training activity was observed in the area of the Husaren Kaserne. Five vehicles with very large you-like superstructures moved through the main entrance.

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